

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

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The following citizens have been appointed by the President as members of the Annual Assay Commission:

Mrs. J. Gustavus Whitely, Baltimore,
Mrs. Katharine Elkus White, Red Bank, N.J.,
Mrs. Henry Goddard Leach, New York,
Charles G. Meyer, New York,
Charles F. Nettleship, Jr. Jersey City, N.J.,
Owen Johnson, Stockbridge, Mass.,
Dr. F.S. Holbrook, Washington, D.C.,
James H. Hurley, Willimantic, Conn.,
Judge John H. Druffel, Cincinnati, Ohio,
Capt. Louis H. Schmidt, Mount Airy, Phila.,
Ralph B. Strassburger, Norristown, Pa.,
Stanton Sanson, Phoenixville, Pa.,
Gustave J.S. White, Newport, R.I.,
Wayne Johnson, New York,
Matthew McCloskey, Philadelphia.

In addition to those named above the following are ex-officio members of the commission:

J.F.T. O'Connor, Comptroller of the Currency,
O.B. Dickinson, Judge of the Federal District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania,
Joseph S. Buford, Chief Assayer of the United States Assay Office in New York.

Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross, Director of the Mint, has notified all members of the commission that the annual meeting will be at the United States Mint at Philadelphia, Wednesday, February 10, at 10 o'clock A.M.

The test of the coinage by an Assay Commission has been an annual event since the establishment of the Mint in 1792. At all United States Mints, out of each delivery of coin it is required by law that a certain number of coins be taken out by the Superintendent in the presence of the Assayer. These coins are sealed in an envelope and locked in the "pyx" box for the annual "trial of coins" at the Philadelphia Mint.

Dr. Holbrook of the Division of Weights and Measures of the National Bureau of Standards will take from Washington to Philadelphia the official weights of the Philadelphia Mint which have been calibrated at the Bureau of Standards during the past week. These will be used in testing the coins produced during the past year.

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